

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 have been canceled to allow prosecution of claims 12-19. No new matter has been added.

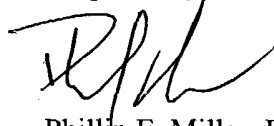
With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. Application Serial No. 09/824,672, Applicant hereby incorporates the claim of priority from Japanese Application 2000-103621 filed on April 5, 2000, and claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

The parent application was assigned of record to NEC Electronics Corporation on February 27, 2003.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,



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